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State Library Newsletter

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Message from the State Librarian

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The Reopening Archives, Libraries, and Museums (REALM) project released findings from the second round of tests on commonly handled library and archival materials. Test 2 results were made available July 20 and have caused some libraries

to reevaluate the length of time that some materials are quarantined. The study, which is a collaborative project of OCLC, IMLS and Battelle, a non-profit applied science and technology development company, is looking at how long the coronavirus is detectible on materials. The study is expected to contain at least five sets of items that have been provided by the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled, Library of Congress, Columbus Metropolitan Library, and the National Archives and Records Administration, Materials in Test 2 included: braille paper pages, glossy paper pages from a coffee table-type book, magazine pages, children's board books and archival folders. Samples of each of these items are inoculated with the virus and those samples are then placed inside the closed book, magazine or folder.

Results show that after two days, the virus was not detectable on the archival folders. After four days, braille pages, glossy book pages and board books did not have any traceable amounts of COVID-19 present. The test results of magazines are not as straightforward because there were trace amounts on the pages still at four days AND testing was not done past those four days. Therefore, it is unknown if there were still traceable amounts at 5, 6 or 7 days. What is also unclear from the study is at what level of traceability is the virus transferable. Does detectable at any level mean there is a chance the virus can spread to humans? That question is being studied in other tests, but being as cautious as you can is recommended. Consider pulling magazines from your browsing areas and knowing how board books are handled by children, the minimum should be a four day quarantine, if not pulled all together.

Test set 3 began July 10 and includes testing on DVD/CDs, Talking book/USB cassettes, Acrylic (display cases), Storage bags (flexible plastic) and Storage container (rigid plastic). Those results are expected in early August.

Stay tuned, be safe and contact the Missouri State Library if you have any questions.

Missouri State Library News

Upcoming Training from Mid America Library Alliance (MALA) -

In collaboration with MALA, Princh is supporting libraries by offering their self-service mobile printing and electronic payment solution for free following the COVID-19 closures. Princh's solution will reduce the use of shared PCs and cash handling. Plus, with its intuitive and

user-friendly interface, there is no need for staff interaction, which helps both staff and patrons adhere to social distancing measures. To sign up for the free webinar to be held Tuesday, Aug. 11, at 10 a.m., visit MALA's <u>Professional</u> Development web page.

How to Stop Micromanaging and Start Leading with Pat Wagner, Principal, Pattern Research Wednesday, Sept. 16, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Micromanagers try to control every aspect of how things are done, and it can be a trap even the best managers and supervisors have a hard time avoiding. Pat Wagner will explain how micromanaging wastes valuable time and limits the potential of your most creative employees. This management and supervisory skills webinar will provide you with the tools needed to spot micromanaging behaviors, let go of the right things, and learn how to include others' ideas and perceptions constructively—making you a better and more effective manager. For more information click here.

Upcoming MALA Training

Readers' Advisory Webinar Oct. 14 Management and Supervisory Skill Webinar Nov. 19

Upcoming Training from MOREnet

Are you a participant in MOREnet's Shared Digital Collection with OverDrive for K-12 schools? Join Account Manager Liz Congdon for an exciting Back to School webinar! We will discuss important updates to the MOREnet collection,

new Sora features, and support tools to help your school navigate the digital climate this fall. To sign up for the free webinar to be held Tuesday, Aug. 11, from 1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m., visit MOREnet's online training schedule.

OCLC Resource Sharing Conference

The OCLC Resource Sharing conference, RSC20, transitioned from an in-person conference to a web series of sessions. Conference panelists will discuss how we are all moving forward together, including best practices and ways to better connect your users with the information they need as your libraries reopen. This unique series offers an opportunity to learn about the latest resource sharing advancements and to interact with others in the ILL community. You will also learn how to improve your operational efficiency, save time and elevate user services.

Thursday, Aug. 13, 2 p.m.-3 p.m. – Making ILL Materials Accessible: Examining the Law, Current Practices, and the Future.

Wednesday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. – OCLC/Atlas update

Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2 p.m. – May the Source Be with You: VIVA Whole Ebook Lending.

Learn more and register for the sessions at RSC20.

Missouri Evergreen Catalog App

Missouri Evergreen, a consortium of more than 50 public libraries in Missouri, now has a free mobile app for its online catalog. The app is available to all consortium members and went live a month ahead of schedule. While the app does not have all the functionalities of the online catalog, it does duplicate functions used most often including the ability to place a hold on an item. There are <u>iOS</u> and <u>Android</u> versions.

Exciting New Webinar Series Coming in August -

The Missouri State Library's Library
Development Division has partnered with the
University of Missouri Extension to produce
an exciting new webinar series on workforce
development. The series will start in August and
run through November. It will focus on how to
help local libraries better tackle the workforce
issues in their communities. These 30 minute
webinars will cover a variety of topics such
as: Becoming a Recovery-Friendly Employer,

Working with Justice-Involved Population, The Future Workforce: Skills and Opportunities for the 21st Century, and many more. Please register for Workforce Development Series, which begins Thursday, Aug. 13, at: https://attendee.gototraining.com/r/2307361843044545025

If you have any questions, please contact Merideth Johnson, (573) 751-1822 or merideth.johnson@sos.mo.gov.

Virtual Storytime Services Guide

The Colorado Libraries for Early Literacy (CLEL) and the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), in collaboration with other library professionals have developed the <u>Virtual Storytime Services Guide</u>. The guide is designed to be an evolving document, changing and

growing as needed. The guide includes sections on technology tools, promotion, copyright, suggested practices, serving diverse children and families and external digital resources. This very thorough document has all the considerations for virtual storytime, all in one place.

Reference Services for YOU: Wayback Machine

Sometimes, you click on a link or visit a website only to find that a webpage you need no longer exists. It can be incredibly frustrating to someone who needs the information that was previously available online. Thankfully, the Internet Archive offers a web crawler tool that periodically captures webpages over time, the <u>Wayback Machine</u>.

Reference Services often uses the Wayback Machine to look at previous versions of government websites, which often change dramatically or even disappear. The Wayback Machine is also useful for finding older news articles, which may not be available on a current news site. Have some fun by looking through the fossils of the early days of the internet, such as this Yahoo page from 1996.

Browse billions of webpages by searching with a website URL. You can then view years and dates

captured. You can share these archived sites with the stable URLs from each page. Keep in mind that some images or links may be missing or broken. This tool is great for reviewing your library's website through the years.

If you or your staff have questions about the Wayback Machine, our <u>Missouri State</u>

<u>Publications database</u> or anything else related to the State Library's resources, please contact Reference Services by phone, email or chat. We are available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and are always happy to help.

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New! Leadership Books From The Missouri State Library

Curating Your Life: Ending the Struggle for Work-Life Balance by Gail Golden

<u>Uproar: Calm Leadership in Anxious Times</u> by Peter L. Steinke

<u>Call Sign Chaos: Learning to Lead</u> by Jim Mattis and Bing West

<u>Team of Teams: New Rules of Engagement for a Complex World</u> by General Stanley McChrystal

A Passion for Kindness: Making the World a
Better Place to Lead, Love, and Learn by
Tamara Letter

The 5 Languages of Appreciation in the Workplace: Empowering Organizations by Encouraging People by Gary Chapman and Paul White

Simply Said: Communicating Better at Work and Beyond by Jay Sullivan

Conquer the Brain Drain: 52 Creative Ways to Pump Up Productivity by Fiona Carmichael and Judi Moreo

<u>High-Impact Presentation and Training Skills:</u>

<u>Proven Techniques for Captivating, Motivating, and Inspiring</u> by Micki Holliday

<u>96 Great Interview Questions to Ask Before You</u> <u>Hire</u> by Paul Falcone We are pleased to offer direct borrowing from the Missouri State Library to Missouri public library directors and branch managers for continuing education and professional development.

State Library cards are issued in the name of the library director or branch manager. Directors and branch managers are encouraged to borrow items for any of their library's staff with this card by placing a request in our <u>catalog</u>.

To sign up for a card, visit our <u>guide for Missouri public library directors</u>. The guide also features new books, government publications, and other helpful resources.

For assistance with placing requests, obtaining a card, replacing a card or for additional information, please contact Reference Services by phone, email, or chat. We are available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and are always happy to help.

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Around the State

Welcome New Directors!

Stephanie Harrington – Henry County Library
Elaina Daniels – Cedar County Library
John Herron – Kansas City Public Library
Cara Mayberry – Advance Community Library



Grant Opportunities

Author Visit Grant • DEADLINE: Ongoing

This grant is specifically designed for school or public libraries to bring an author to their community. Grants range from \$500 up to \$5,000. All travel for the author must be included as part of a flat rate fee for the author. Other additional costs allowable: publicity and promotional items, up to \$500 towards library materials for collection development

related to the project, additional staff hours, and transportation for youth from school or licensed child care. These grants are supported by IMLS under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library Questions? Contact Lysha Thompson, Youth Services Consultant, at lysha.thompson@sos.mo.gov or (573) 522-9564.

Show Me Steps to Continuing Education: Individual Training Events • DEADLINE: Ongoing

Interested in attending a professional development opportunity, but need additional funds? Show Me Steps to Continuing Education grants provide reimbursement for up to 75% of the costs of an eligible, non-credit continuing education event. These grants are supported by

IMLS under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library. If you have questions about Show Me Steps grant opportunities, please contact Merideth Johnson at (573) 751-1822 or merideth.johnson@sos.mo.gov.

Show Me Steps to Continuing Education: Group Training Events • DEADLINE: Ongoing

Do you want to bring an expert to your library for training? This is a competitive grant program that provides funds for a host library or library consortium to plan and provide group training(s) on current, relevant, unique and/or in-demand topics at a local, regional or statewide level. Grants range from \$500 up to \$8,000. These

grants are supported by IMLS under the provision of the Library Services and Technology Act as administered by the Missouri State Library If you have questions about this Show Me Steps grant opportunity, please contact Merideth Johnson at merideth.johnson@sos.mo.gov or call (573) 751-1822.